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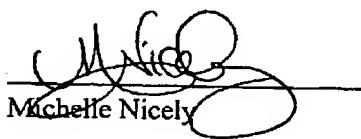
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Sir:

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2005 that set a three-months period for a reply. In view of the present amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the Application is respectfully requested.

The Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to file this reply by January 28, 2005. Authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0359 for a one-month extension fee. As January 28, 2006 is a Saturday, this reply filed on or before Monday, January 30, 2006 is timely.